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WHEAT ON THE BOOM

Sensational Rise in Twenty-Four Hours' Time.

THE CEREAL GOES UP FIVE POINTS.

Advance is General Throughout This Country and Europe—Some Exciting Times are Buyers—The Position of Phil Adair at Chicago is a Puzzle—He is Said to be Buying May Wheat.

Chicago, Oct. 19.—From 70 to 75 cents a bushel in twenty-four hours is the latest caper in the sensational boom in wheat, which has been climbing for a month or six weeks. And the rise is not due to speculative manipulation, either. It went beyond that stage long since. The big speculators builded better than they knew when they started their bull campaign. Then they expected that the country would come in to the market on the buying side, as it did last year. The country did not come in, but a more potent influence was at work to speed the upward tendency of the market. Added to the fact that the American crop is from 50,000,000 to 100,000,000 shorter than that of last year, India and other exporting countries have come into the American market at San Francisco, and at Liverpool, as heavy buyers. Bullish influences have been accumulating for three weeks, and Chicago is not the vortex of the movement. As a matter of fact, Chicago is simply a taller. It has been carried along by New York, Liverpool, St. Louis, San Francisco and other markets. A comparison of figures will show this.

Big Jump All Around.
In New York December wheat closed Friday at 70 cents, and thirty minutes after the opening Saturday it was 75 cents. At St. Louis it jumped 3 cents, over night, at Minneapolis 3 1/2 cents, while the over-night rise in Chicago was 1/2 of a cent less than 2 cents. At 11 o'clock Saturday the Chicago market reached 75 cents, with strong indications of going higher. Millions of bushels were picked up by foreign buyers. This is unusual, as it is seldom that foreign orders reach the speculative market.

The immense quantities of wheat which the northwestern farmers who are pressed for ready money are rushing into the primary markets has no effect on the boom. The delivery of 1,250,000 bushels a day is a mere drop in the bucket. What would under ordinary circumstances check the upward tendency seems only to add fuel to the flame.

Big speculators, who at first attributed the bulge to manipulation, and looked for a break, have since swung into line on the buying side, and are now accumulating extensive lines. W. R. Linn, John Cudahy, W. T. Baker, Charles Cousinman, Sidney Kent, Frank Dunn, W. C. Mitchell, and C. H. Clifford were big buyers Saturday morning.

Swung into the Bull Line.
Charles Slinger, who returned from Europe with the idea that the rise was due to manipulation and that a break was inevitable, and who, upon his arrival in New York, wired orders to sell wheat at a certain figure, about 65 cents, has changed his mind since his return to Chicago, and swung into the line of the buyers. Some of the names have at various times since the boom set in sold on slight advances, but they have returned to the other side with increased energy, taking up all the small speculators, who were deceived by the sharp turn, had to offer. Another position in the market has been a puzzle to his fellow-operators. He has done some open selling of December wheat, but has been an extensive buyer of May wheat, showing that he has faith in the stability of the market. Fred Logan has accumulated a big line. One of the effects of the rise, with a corresponding rise in rye, pork, and other speculative commodities, has been the cause of better feeling among the farmers in the Mississippi valley.

Buffalo Bill Arrested.
St. Joseph, Mo., Oct. 19.—Buffalo Bill was arrested in this city Friday night, charged with giving his Wild West show without a city license. When the case was called in police court Saturday day it developed that the show had a license for a side show, for which it had paid \$20, whereas the license for a circus and equestrian exhibition costs \$250. Mr. Cody claims his show is not a circus and a continuance of the case was granted to allow him to engage counsel. He says he will take the case to the highest court in the land before he will pay license for a circus exhibition.

Assume Control of the Machine.
Colorado Springs, Oct. 19.—The International Typographical union has assumed entire control of the linotype machines, meaning that hereafter no one shall be employed, either as an operator or a machinist, unless he is a member of the typographical union. This action is taken to create a field of work for as many as possible of the printers who were thrown out of employment by the introduction of the typesetting machine.

Woman Kills Herself.
Philadelphia, Oct. 19.—Mrs. Amy A. Price, a young widow, formerly employed as a stenographer for a New York firm, committed suicide during the night by shooting herself in the left breast at the home of her sister, Mrs. Webb, in this city. The tragedy is said to be due to the death of her husband in New York last Monday, but whose name is not given.

The Paris is All Right.
Southampton, Oct. 19.—The American line steamship Paris, Captain Watkins, from New York, on Oct. 7, which broke her starboard thrust shaft when about 325 miles off Sandy Hook, passed the Sicily islands at 6 o'clock Saturday afternoon. She signalled all well on board and was proceeding under her port engine.

Satellite Sails for Genoa.
New York, Oct. 19.—Cardinal Satelli sailed for Genoa Saturday on the Kaiser Wilhelm II. The demonstration attending his departure was the culmination of the honors which have been shown to him during the last days of his stay in America.

English Boys Win at Coney.
Huron, S. D., Oct. 19.—The American Waterloo cup has been won again in the Huron county tournament by Arthur Melrose and H. Scott Darwin, the two young Englishmen who won it last year with Glikirk. This is the second year of this important sporting event and they have won on each occasion.

Furniture Factory Destroyed.
Holland, Mich., Oct. 19.—The West Michigan furniture factory was destroyed by fire Friday afternoon. The loss is \$150,000, partially insured.

COLD-BLOODED MURDER.

One Physician Murders Another at Natchez, Miss.

Natchez, Miss., Oct. 19.—Dr. Alfred Holt of Hayes, Miss., shot and instantly killed Dr. P. S. Rhett of Jonesville, La., in the rotunda of the Natchez hotel Saturday morning. He fired four times in rapid succession, the shots taking effect in the body of his victim, who turned half round, threw out his hands, as if reaching for support, and fell lifeless to the floor. Spectators sprang to the foot, but before they could realize what was going on the tragedy was over. Holt was arrested, but subsequently released on \$10,000 bail. The killing is the result of an old grudge. Both the doctors were prominent physicians, and were well-known throughout the south. Each had Mr. acquaintances. They were formerly friends, but fell out over some trifling affair.

It is thought that Rhett did not know of Holt's presence, as he was entirely unarmed. The shooting was done on sight. Holt approached his victim as he was standing near the news counter talking to a friend. He reached toward his hip pocket and drew a 38-calibre revolver. Taking careful and deliberate aim, he fired, the bullet striking Rhett in the breast. Two other shots followed and Rhett fell, receiving the fourth bullet as he lay on the floor. For a moment the wildest excitement reigned. People rushed from the reading room and billiard room and from the street and collected with others who were trying to escape in the idea that a wholesale shooting scrape had commenced. Holt made no effort to get away, but surrendered himself to a policeman.

CLEW TO A TRAIN ROBBER.

Discovery of a Lot of Torn Letters at Utah.

Ogden, Utah, Oct. 19.—The first tangible clew to the train robbery of Wednesday morning was found Friday afternoon when a boy named Frank Fretwell discovered at Utah a lot of letters and torn envelopes in the brush about 500 yards east of the Utah postoffice. The station agent, Donaldson, of Utah, was notified. He told Chief of Police Davenport at Ogden, who went out to Utah.

Later in the afternoon more letters, among which were thirty forty Chinese letters were discovered, and in a barn within a stone's throw of the Utah postoffice were more letters and postage stamps. This gave officers a new start and it is known that they have struck the right trail and are almost certain of the robbers' identity.

Disturbance on Campaign Documents.
Washington, Oct. 19.—The Silver party and the Populists Saturday ceased the distribution of campaign documents. The Republicans and Democrats will continue to meet demands practically until election day, but they are not sending out documents so liberally as a few weeks ago. The Republican congressional committee has distributed from 100,000 to 200,000 pieces, and the Democrats about 12,000,000. The silverites about 4,000,000, and the Populists about 1,000,000.

Mobilization of the Russian Forces.
London, Oct. 19.—A special dispatch from Vienna says that The Neue Freie Presse of that city announces that steps to complete the mobilization of the Russian forces are being taken in several districts. All the officers on leave or retired are being recalled. It is intimated that these military movements are undertaken because it is expected that Russia will receive the European mandate to occupy Constantinople.

Young Woman Hangs Herself.
St. Louis, Oct. 19.—In a fit of melancholy Miss Rose Battle, an estimable young woman, hanged herself in the cellar of her home, early Friday night. She was not discovered until early Saturday morning. Life was then exonerated. Three months ago the girl's mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Battle, died. Her death seemed to have affected her daughter greatly. Miss Rose was 24 years of age, bright and lively in manner and fond of society.

Will of Harold Whiting.
Cambridge, Mass., Oct. 19.—The will of the late Professor Harold Whiting was filed for probate Friday. Among the bequests is one of \$20,000 to the University of California. The partner of Professor Whiting with his wife, four children and three servants went down with 180 others on the ill-fated Colima, which was wrecked off the Mexican coast May 27, 1895.

Drugged and Robbed of Samples.
Portland, Or., Oct. 19.—Leopold Adler, a traveler for Philadelphia jewelry manufacturers, was drugged and robbed of his sample case, containing \$7,000 worth of jewelry. On the train he formed the acquaintance of two well-appearing young men, who treated him to drugged wine. After Adler had fallen asleep the sharper secured his sample case and left the train at Livingston, Mont.

Mortally Wounded His Brother.
Nashville, Tenn., Oct. 19.—At Jordan, ten miles from here, Taz Hyde shot and seriously wounded his brother, Shiloh Hyde, and mortally wounded his sister-in-law as a result of a quarrel over money matters. Taz Hyde says he shot his brother in self defense and he did not see Mrs. Hyde during the difficulty and had no intention of shooting her. He was placed in jail.

Ex-Bank Officers Indicted.
Hot Springs, Ark., Oct. 19.—Ed Hoga-boom, president, and W. W. Wright, cashier of the defunct City Savings Bank and Trust company, were Friday indicted by the grand jury on three and four counts respectively, charging embezzlement. Wright was released on bail but Hoga-boom did not furnish bond and was placed in jail.

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THE END CAME VERY SUDDENLY.

While He Had Been in Poor Health for Two Years His Demise Was Not Expected—Many Troubles Fretted Upon Him, Financial Difficulties Preceding His Divorce Case Only a Short Time—Member of a Great Theatrical Firm.

New York, Oct. 19.—Henry E. Abbey, the well-known impresario, died suddenly Saturday morning at his residence at the Osborne apartment house. Mr. Abbey had been in poor health for the last two years, and during the summer was stricken with typhoid fever.



HENRY E. ABBEY.
recovering a short time ago. He has been more or less prominent for years, but within the last six months has been before the public in a series of business and domestic troubles, which left him in a weakened state of health, and while his death has not been expected, it was generally known that he was in a serious condition.

The big failure of the firm of Abbey, Schoeffel & Grau, caused by the expensive tours of Lillian Russell, which cost the firm nearly \$100,000, and other dramatic enterprises which consumed the immense profits of the grand Italian opera seasons in this country, is well remembered. The reorganization, made with the stipulation that the firm to undertake grand opera ventures exclusively, was the cause of general rejoicing throughout the country, but it only preceded by a few weeks the break up of the Abbey home. Florence Gerard Abbey, formerly a well-known actress, suing her husband for separate maintenance upon the grounds of excessive cruelty.

His Domestic Troubles.
Abbey's domestic troubles had not been known. For a long time Mr. and Mrs. Abbey were deeply attached to each other. She usually accompanied him while he was with his grand opera organization, and during the seasons at the Auditorium. Up to two years ago they were always together in one of the boxes. The legal proceedings consequently were a great surprise. A reconciliation was predicted, but later when Mrs. Abbey changed her plea and asked for an absolute divorce and the privilege of adopting her maiden name this was conceded to be out of the question. Abbey made answer to the bill, and accused his wife of intolerable jealousy, and cited many instances to show he was deserving of the decree. His child, a boy, was brought into the case as a witness for the father after she had made affidavit in her stepmother's favor. Mrs. Abbey is now in London seeking a play in which to star. Her two girls, who are now in a few weeks, will be known as Florence Gerard. Henry E. Abbey was a westerner. He started in the theatrical business as a member of an orchestra in a country town. He soon became a leader and then manager of a theater. The time was mostly spent in the money and the theatrical field was a gold mine for many men.

Remarkably Energetic.
Abbey became a road manager, made money and went to New York. He was remarkably energetic and had marked executive ability. New York gave him a test and adopted him. He was lessee of Abbey's theatre, one of the handsomest houses in New York—now the Knickerbocker under Al Hagan's management. He was associated with Schoeffel & Grau of Boston and Irving, Bernhardt, and other foreign artists, as well as Lillian Russell and other American favorites. He made hundreds of thousands of dollars, but about four or five years ago began to lose his financial grip, and beginning with Lillian Russell, lost money heavily in everything he did, and his grand opera ventures. He became misanthropical under misfortune and was so moody and irritable that he was a hard man to please. The lyric and dramatic stage owes much, however, to the memory of the celebrated impresario.

Plotted Wholesale Murder.
York, Neb., Oct. 19.—W. L. Lee, a well-known photographer here, has been arrested and lodged in jail, charged with being principal in a plot to wreck the Burlington flyer in order to collect a \$10,000 accident policy on the life of A. Bissell, who was known to be a passenger on the train. Lee had induced Bissell to insure himself for \$10,000, and in case of Bissell's death the amount was to be paid to Lee, who agreed to pay the premium on the insurance. The plot was exposed by Mesplay, who was to receive \$2,000 from Lee if (Mesplay) successfully ditched the train and Bissell was killed.

Kidney Thief Kills Himself.
Appleton, Wis., Oct. 19.—Almond Hutchinson, aged 20, who was pursued by officers for stealing bicycles from dealers at Menasha and Oshkosh, blew his brains out at the home of his widowed mother at Appleton, just as the officers had forced their way into the house to arrest him.

Snow at Chicago.
Chicago, Oct. 19.—The first snow of the season fell Saturday morning for over an hour but melted as fast as it fell.

CAPTAIN EVANS' STORY.

He Tells the Experience of the Indians in the Recent Storm.

New York, Oct. 19.—The big battleship Indiana is lying safe at anchor off Staten Island after a tempestuous voyage from Hampton Roads. Several stations were torn away and big holes knocked in the scupper pipes, due to the breaking away of the big turret guns from their moorings while the storm was at its height. To recapture the guns and lash them securely was a desperate undertaking. In the morning the big machine of death from plunging through the sides into the sea or perhaps demolishing the upper works of the vessel. Captain Evans gives the details of his trip as follows:

"Soon after we left Hampton Roads Monday all four of the eight inch turrets broke loose at once from their gearings. The sea was very rough and the roll of the ship made the clamps inadequate to stand the strain. That was about 2 o'clock in the afternoon. We went to work with five-inch hawsers to tie the guns up. About 2 o'clock the next morning the forward guns snapped their hawsers and got loose again. It was black as ink and we could not see how to get in order to make matters worse the forward thirteen-inch gun turret broke loose and began thrashing about the deck. The thirteen-inch guns knocked big dents in the scupper pipe, broke the chains and threatened to tear away the entire superstructure. It was very dangerous to work in that storm. I was afraid of losing two or three dozen men and if I had not had the best crew in the world I do not know how we would have come out.

"We fastened a five-inch hawser to the thirteen-inch gun and it snapped like a cotton string. We finally caught the big guns with an eight-inch hawser and tied them securely to the superstructure. It was an awful job, though, and we were in danger of being washed overboard every minute. It will take about three weeks to have new gearings put in. Ensign Galbraith, of the Indiana, who had his left leg crushed by an armor door, had to have the leg amputated."

RETURN OF PROFESSOR DYCHE.

What He Has to Say of His Trip to Alaska.

Will Be a Good Country.

Seattle, Wash., Oct. 19.—Professor L. L. Dyche of Kansas returned from Alaska on the City of Topeka and left Friday night by way of California for his home. Professor Dyche went to Alaska in 1895, and especially in search of natural history specimens. He ascended to the source of the Kik river with an organized expedition which was a success, although the obstacles to be overcome were appalling. The native hunters, stripped stark and with ropes, pulled the boat up the turbulent river. Professor Dyche secured specimens of the mountain sheep, twelve immense moose heads, caribou, sea otter, birds and other small animals. On July 17 Professor Dyche saw eight inches of snow fall and on Aug. 11 six inches fell. He saw three smoky earthquakes such as a man could not remain standing. He found coal ledges, but the coal was so soft that it could be whittled with a knife.

Professor Dyche said: "That country is one-half made. It will be a good country some day when it is finished. The glaciers are slowly doing their work, the mountains are smoking, and the rivers are vomiting out quantities of quicksand. It is a new country; let it alone and some day it will be a good country."

Professor Dyche met Princess Tom, a famous Yakutat princess, wealthy beyond all other Alaskans. She has \$10,000 in gold twenties on her right arm; she wears five bracelets, each hammered out of a gold twenty, and her left arm she wears ten bracelets, each made from a \$10 gold piece. She has hundreds of blankets, seal-skins, etc., and she owns a schooner and two sloops. She is 65 years old and has just married her fifth husband, a young man of 20 years, for whom she has paid 500 blankets. The relationship is traced back through the mother's side. It is in fact almost a savage realization of Lytton's "Coming Race."

Women's Board of Missions.

Springfield, Ill., Oct. 19.—The second day's session of the forty-eighth national convention of the Christian Women's Board of Missions Saturday was attended by 140 delegates. Devotional exercises were led by Mrs. F. J. Longdon of Florida. Mrs. W. T. Moore of Missouri made an address on "The Equator or the North Pole—Which?" Mrs. Luella Wilcox of St. Clair, Mo., read a paper on "Missionary Martyrs." Mrs. Antonette Thurgood of Pennsylvania led the closing devotional exercises.

Colored Men for Fall-Beaters.

Rock Island, Ill., Oct. 19.—The remains of the late Judge G. A. Castleman of St. Louis were interred at Chilpancoque cemetery Friday. Funeral services were conducted at the Castleman mansion on Fifth avenue. Rev. R. F. Sweet of Trinity Episcopal church officiating. Six colored men performed the service of fall-beaters. Among those accompanying the body from St. Louis were Mrs. Castleman, Hon. Ben T. Cable and wife and children, and General John B. Castleman and wife.

Tax for an Indemnity Fund.

Washington, Oct. 19.—Minister Terrell has written the department of state from Constantinople, under date of Sept. 30, that in conformity with the understanding arrived at between the sublime porte and the missions of the six great powers, an outlay of customs dues of 3 per cent. will be collected on the goods imported to Crete in order to indemnify those who have suffered losses during recent events.

Fifty Killed on a German Railway.

Berlin, Oct. 19.—It is reported that a railway train on the Saar-Kiffel line, conveying a large number of recruits, has been thrown from the track and fifty persons killed and many more injured.

Three Firemen Meet Death.

Montreal, Oct. 19.—Three of twelve firemen, who were caught in a burning building here Friday, are dead, the name of one being Edmond Laporte. Six others were badly hurt.

NEW TRADE BALANCE

This Time It is in Favor of American Commerce.

WEEKLY REVIEW OF E. G. DUN & CO.

The Excess of Exports Over Imports Insures Better Business—Europe's Large Wheat Deficit of 100,000,000 Bushels is Sure to Create a Big Foreign Demand—Advances in the Price of Wheat and Corn—Failures for a Week.

New York, Oct. 19.—H. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: The one commercial change which more than any other insures better business in the near future, is the excess of merchandise exports over imports. In September exports were \$55,098,594 and imports only \$50,825,705, and the excess of exports was \$4,272,889, in payment for which net imports of gold were \$14,249,183. Last year the excess of merchandise imports was \$6,765,237 in September and net exports of gold \$18,506,558. In the four principal classes the exports increased \$20,641,134, more than half in cotton. In two weeks of October the exports from New York have increased 30.6 per cent against \$1.1 in September while the imports have decreased 24 per cent, against \$5.2 in September. Continued shipments of gold from Europe, not including \$1,000,000 from Australia, amount to \$29,252,000 since the movement began, of which \$52,250,000 have already arrived, and imports have not been arrested by measures taken by the great European banks.

Movement of Grain is Heavy.

After an increase of \$5,923,671 in exports of breadstuffs in September, there have been shipped the last week from Atlantic ports alone 2,134,774 bushels, four included, and 4,202,845 in two weeks of October, against 3,510,717 bushels last year. A more important fact is that all available grain freight rates have been engaged for months ahead here and on the Pacific coast. The minister of agriculture in India stated in council on Thursday that distress was expected in a large part of India as the result of drought, but imports of wheat from California would help to prevent actual famine.

A high official of Russia now in this country confirms the accounts of shortness in the Russian yield. Thus the estimates that Europe will fall 100,000,000 bushels short of last year in supply of wheat are strongly supported, and while the department estimates of the yield in this country are not credited, there is every reason to expect a remarkable foreign demand. Western receipts fall a little below last year's, and for two weeks have been 14,235,016 bushels, against 15,044,483 last year.

Advances in Wheat and Corn.

Wheat has advanced 4 1/2 cents for the week and corn 2 cents. Confidence as to the future makes trouble in some industries because speculation in some materials raises prices, and the demand for finished products is checked. Boot and shoe makers receive narrow orders at old prices, or at an advance less than 1 per cent for the week, and less than 6 per cent from the lowest point. Similar distress is threatened in many other lines. The price of pig is higher. Bessemer at \$11.50, and gray forge at \$7.75 at Pittsburgh, while plates, angles, and beams are weaker, and various combinations hold prices only by leaving outside competitors to take the work, the mountains are smoking, and the rivers are vomiting out quantities of quicksand. It is a new country; let it alone and some day it will be a good country.

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Wool is Stronger with Continued Speculative Buying.

Speculative buying, and sales at eastern markets have been 14,500,000 pounds for two weeks, against 21,309,700 last year, and 12,700,000 in withdrawal until after the election. No gain 1892; but consigned wool has been mostly at present possible in goods, and though the number of mills starting for the week is fifteen, against last year's stopping much of the work done is in anticipation of a better demand than now exists. The cotton manufacture has started more spindles, but the demand for goods scarcely increases and print cloths sell at 2 1/2 cents. The manufacture of minor metals drags, though at moderate demand for copper is moderate at \$10.75 for lake. Lead is a shade weaker at \$2.75, and tinmakers are underselling foreign 15 cents to 20 cents per box. Failures for the week have been 25 in the United States against 32 last year, and forty in Canada, against forty-six last year.

Fire in a Coal Mine.

Gillespie, Ill., Oct. 19.—Fire broke out in the bottom near the shaft in the Consolidated Coal company's mine at this place Friday night and is doing great damage. An attempt is being made to smother it by sealing the mine. The men all escaped, but twelve mules were killed. The top works are probably safe, but a long shut-down will be necessary.

Victory for Eureka, Ill.

Eureka, Ill., Oct. 19.—The town is rejoicing over its victory over Metamora in the contest for the county seat. The supreme court at Ottawa Friday denied the motion for a rehearing in the appeal case. The records will be brought from Metamora and new buildings will be erected as soon as possible for the accommodation of the county officers.

Kearney and Haines in New York.

New York, Oct. 19.—John F. Kearney and Thomas Haines, the alleged dynamiters, have returned to New York, and talking of their arrest and imprisonment deny all knowledge of the dynamite said to have been found in their room in Rotterdam, and allege that the entire plot was a put-up job by the police.

Insult to Queen Victoria.

London, Oct. 19.—A special dispatch from Bombay announces that a bucket of tar was poured over the statue of Queen Victoria there during the night, and that a pair of old sandals were tied around the neck of the statue.